



December 3rd, 1914

Mr. E. Gundy, Esq.,

President, Board of Trade, Toronto.

Dear Mr. Gundy:

I have to thank you for your letter of December 2nd in which you ask me to offer the invocation on the occasion of the opening of the new quarters of the Board of Trade on the 29th of December. I appreciate your asking me but regret that I do not feel justified in undertaking to do it. When Mr. Gage asked me over a year ago to do the same service at the meeting in Convocation Hall, I felt that it would be unwise for me to do so, and the same considerations that weighed with me at that time hold now. I think it would be better if you could get some one who is in the regular work of the ministry and who would be acceptable to all denominations. I feel that I must keep for the University any work of this kind that I perform. With kind regards and best wishes for an era of success in the new building,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.